



## CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL

### HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING COMMITTEE

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

4<sup>th</sup> FLOOR

#### MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026—1:00 P.M.

#### Committee Members

Yvonne M. Conwell, Chair | Dist. 7  
Martin J. Sweeney, Vice Chair | Dist. 3  
Mark Casselberry | Dist. 4  
Michael J. Houser, Sr. | Dist. 10  
Robert E. Schleper, Jr. | Dist. 6

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.**

#### 2. ROLL CALL

**Ms. Conwell asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Sweeney, Houser, and Schleper were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Casselberry was absent.**

**A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Sweeney and approved by unanimous vote to excuse Mark Casselberry from the April 1, 2026 meeting.**

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

**There were no public comments given.**

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 18, 2026 MEETING

**A motion was made by Mr. Schleper, seconded by Mr. Sweeney and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2026 meeting.**

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS

- a) R2026-0067: Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to the Western Reserve Historical Society for the African American Heritage & Cultural Celebration from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund –

Robert Bender and Kevin Heard, Steering Committee Chairs for the 2026 African American Heritage & Cultural Celebration

**Chairwoman Conwell stated that item a) is an ARPA application that the Committee previously moved forward. The Committee will hear the presentation today.**

**Mr. Robert Bender and Mr. Kevin Heard addressed the Committee and gave a presentation regarding Resolution No. R2026-0067. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Bender and Mr. Heard pertaining to the presentation which they answered accordingly.**

**Mr. Houser requested to have his name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.**

b) Update on Nails IT and Going Places Grant Programs –

June E. Taylor, Chief of Strategy and Philanthropy, and Dr. E. Douglas Beach, Chief Executive Officer, Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging

**Dr. E. Douglas Beach, Chief Executive Officer of the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging, Ms. June E. Taylor, Chief of Strategy and Philanthropy, and Mr. Myron Bennett, Manager of Strategy and Performance, addressed the Committee and gave an update regarding the Nails It and Going Places Grant Programs. They gave a presentation regarding the total number of projects for the Nails It home modification program which included data for the top 5 zip codes with the most people on the waiting list as well as the most requested modifications, and concluded the presentation with client testimonials.**

**Committee members asked questions of Dr. Beach, Ms. Taylor and Mr. Bender pertaining to the presentation which they answered accordingly.**

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

7. ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 1:42 p.m., without objection.**